

Judiciary II - Criminal Law Committee

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LRB094 07515 RLC 42160 a 09400HB1017ham001 1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1017 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend House Bill 1017 by replacing 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following: "Section 5. The Emergency Telephone System Act is amended 4 5 by changing Section 15.2 as follows: (50 ILCS 750/15.2) (from Ch. 134, par. 45.2) 6 7 Sec. 15.2. Criminal penalties. (a) Any person calling the number "911" for the purpose of 8 making a false alarm or complaint and reporting false 9 information is subject to the provisions of Section 26-1 of the 10 Criminal Code of 1961. 11 (b) Any person who knowingly and without lawful 12 justification interrupts, verbally or physically obstructs, 13 prevents, disrupts, impedes, or otherwise interferes with 14 another person in making or completing a 9-1-1 call is subject 15 16 to the provisions of Section 26-2 of the Criminal Code of 1961. (Source: P.A. 92-502, eff. 12-19-01.) 17 Section 10. The Criminal Code of 1961 is amended by 18 changing Section 26-2 as follows: 19 20 (720 ILCS 5/26-2) (from Ch. 38, par. 26-2) 21 Sec. 26-2. Interference with emergency communication. (a) A person commits the offense of interference with 22

1 emergency communication or she when he knowingly, intentionally and without lawful justification interrupts, 2 3 verbally or physically obstructs, prevents, disrupts, impedes, 4 or otherwise interferes with the transmission of an emergency $\frac{1}{2}$ 5 communication over a citizens band radio channel, the purpose of which communication is to inform or inquire about an 6

(b) For the purpose of this Section, "emergency" means: (1) a condition or circumstance in which an individual is or is reasonably believed by the person transmitting the communication to be in imminent danger of serious bodily injury or in which property is or is reasonably believed by the person transmitting the communication to be in imminent danger of damage or destruction or (2) the report of a crime to a law enforcement agency; and "emergency communication" means a 9-1-1 emergency telephone call, an emergency telephone call to

another emergency number established by a public agency for making emergency calls, or an emergency communicated over a

19 radio frequency.

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(c) Sentence.

21 (1) Interference with emergency communication is 22 B misdemeanor, except as otherwise 23 paragraph (2).

(2) Interference with emergency communication, where serious bodily injury or property loss in excess of \$1,000 results, is a Class A misdemeanor.

(Source: P.A. 82-418.)". 27